

HOUSE RESOLUTION 331
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Andrew Wyatt Smith,
2004 Valedictorian of Bledsoe County High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Smith is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Bledsoe County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Smith has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Smith has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith's commitment to academic excellence has earned him numerous accolades; including being selected for *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, the National Honor Roll, and as Student of the Week; receiving of the Physical Science Award, Spanish Award, Beta Club Tutor Award, National History and Government Award, National Science Award, and the Geography Golden Globe Award; and being chosen as a Delegate to Boys' State and 4-H Congress; he has also been selected as the Tennessee Association of Conservation State Winner; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of his school and community, Mr. Smith has been chosen as Most Likely to Succeed and has held membership in the Foreign Language Club, National Beta Club, Beta Epsilon, Students of Service, DECA, Lonewood Baptist Church Youth Group, 4-H Honor Club in which he has been a 4-H All Star, and on the 4-H Plant and

Seed ID team, as well as on the Yearbook Staff; Mr. Smith has also volunteered for Noah's Inn Children's Safe Haven and with the Adopt a Grandparent program at the local nursing home; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Mr. Smith has played an integral part on the Baseball team, receiving the award for Most Improved in Baseball and the Tennessee Secondary Student Athlete Award of Merit; and

WHEREAS, valuing the benefits of higher education, Mr. Smith plans to continue his pursuit of knowledge at East Tennessee State University, where he has been awarded the East Tennessee State University Academic Performance Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the intellectual aptitude and ambition that Mr. Smith has displayed surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Rickey and Roberta Smith, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Smith's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Bledsoe County High School Valedictorian, Andrew Wyatt Smith, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.